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1. IN A FEATURE MORE NOTABLE FOR ITS LENGTH THAN FOR ITS CONTENT, NOVEMBER 21 RUDE PRAVO DEVOTES ENTIRE PAGE TO ATTEMPTING TO CONVINCE ITS READERS THAT THE FIGHT AGAINST MAOISM IS THE BUSINESS OF THE ENTIRE COMMUNIST MOVEMENT. RELATIVELY SHORT ARTICLE BY BOHUSLAV BOROVIKA AND ZDENEK HORZENI SETS TONE, DESCRIBING CHINESE FOREIGN POLICY AS ONE OF FOMENTING TENSIONS AND OPPOSING DETENTE. PRC IS NOT ONLY SOURCE OF MISORIENTATION AND BREACH OF REVOLUTIONARY FORCES, BUT A "FACTUAL ALLY OF IMPERIALISM". THUS PROBLEM OF MAOSIM "CONCERNS ALL PEOPLES".

2. TO PROVE THEIR POINT, AUTHORS GO ON TO QUOTE NO LESS THAN 56, COUNT 'EM 56, STATEMENTS BY VARIOUS LEADERS AND PARTIES AROUND
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THE WORLD, RANGING FROM SUCH LEADING LIGHTS AS BREZNHEV,

HONECKER AND HUSAK TO SUCH PRESUMABLY LESSER FIGURES AS THE FORMER CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF SOUTH AFRICA AND AN UNIDENTIFIED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF LESOTHO. THE STATEMENTS ACCUSE MAO AND THE PRC OF A WIDE VARIETY OF SINS, FROM ANTI-SOVIETISM THROUGH DISRUPTION OF LEFTIST UNITY TO INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL PARTY AFFAIRS.

3. LEST ANY READER MISS THE POINT OF RP'S PROSE, TWO PHOTOS ARE ALSO PRINTED. ONE SHOWS THE CHINESE AMBASSADOR IN SANTIAGO AND HIS WIFE ENGAGED IN "FRIENDLY CONVERSATION" WITH PINOCHET; THE SECOND IS OF MAO SHANKING HANDS WITH FRANZ JOSEF STRAUSS.

4. AS WE HAVE NOTED IN PREVIOUS REPORTS, ANTI-MAOIST FARE IS A STAPLE IN THE RUDE PRAVO DIET, AND FEW DAYS PASS WITHOUT AT LEAST A PARAGRAPH OR TWO BEING DEVOTED TO THIS SUBJECT. SUCH A CONCERTED AND LENGTHY ATTACK STRIKES US AS SOMEWHAT EXTRAORDINARY, HOWEVER. WHILE ONE CAN ONLY SPECULATE AS TO ITS SIGNIFICANCE, THE BREADTH AND THE INTERNATIONAL CHARACTER OF THE ATTACK LEAD US TO SEE SOME CONNECTION WITH THE UPCOMING EUROPEAN COMMUNIST PARTY CONFERENCE.
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